

## THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Date

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In re the Application of

Yasuhiro OMURA et al.

Group Art Unit:

Application No.: 09/769,832

Examiner:

R. FULLER

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January 26, 2001

Docket No.: 108455

For:

PROJECTION EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND METHOD, CATADIOPTRIC OPTICAL

SYSTEM AND MANUFACTURING METHOD OF DEVICES

LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired March 27, 2006, an extension of time for a period of two months is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 180197 in the amount of \$450.00 in payment for:

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